

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Public Meeting Agenda

HARRISHEALTH
SYSTEM

**Thursday, February 29, 2024
9:00 A.M.**

BOARD ROOM

4800 Fournace Place, Bellaire, TX 77401

The meeting may be viewed online: <http://harrishealthtx.swagit.com/live>.

***Notice: Some Board Members may participate by videoconference.**

Mission

Harris Health is a community-focused academic healthcare system dedicated to improving the health of those most in need in Harris County through quality care delivery, coordination of care and education.

AGENDA

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| I. Call to Order and Record of Attendance | Dr. Andrea Caracostis | 1 min |
| II. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting | Dr. Andrea Caracostis | 1 min |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">Board Meeting – January 25, 2024 | | |
| III. Announcements / Special Presentations | Dr. Andrea Caracostis | 15 min |
| A. CEO Report Including Special Announcements – <i>Dr. Esmaeil Porsa</i> (10 min) | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">New Member of the Harris Health Board of Trustees | | |
| B. Board Member Announcements Regarding Board Member Advocacy and Community Engagements (5 min) | | |
| IV. Public Comment | Dr. Andrea Caracostis | 3 min |
| V. Executive Session | Dr. Andrea Caracostis | 30 min |
| A. Report Regarding Quality of Medical and Healthcare, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §160.007, and Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §151.002 to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Report, Including Report of the Medical Executive Board in Connection with the Evaluation of the Quality of Medical and Healthcare Services, Including the Harris Health System Quality, Safety Performance Measures, and Possible Action Regarding this Matter Upon Return to Open Session – <i>Dr. Andrea Caracostis, Dr. Steven Brass and Dr. Yashwant Chathampally</i> (10 min) | | |
| B. Medical Executive Board Report and Credentialing Discussion, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §160.007, and Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §151.002 to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Report, Including Consideration of Approval of Credentialing Changes for Members of the Harris Health System Medical Staff – <i>Dr. Martha Mims and Dr. Bradford Scott</i> | | |

- C. Report Regarding Harris Health System Correctional Health Quality of Medical and Healthcare, Including Credentialing Discussion and Operational Updates, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §160.007, Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §151.002 and Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §551.071 to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Report with Possible Action Upon Return to Open Session – **Dr. Otis Egins**

(10 min)

VI. Reconvene to Open Meeting**Dr. Andrea Caracostis 1 min****VII. General Action Item(s)****Dr. Andrea Caracostis 8 min****A. General Action Item(s) Related to Quality: Medical Staff**

1. Consideration of Approval of Credentialing Changes for Members of the Harris Health System Medical Staff – **Dr. Martha Mims**

(2 min)

B. General Action Item(s) Related to Quality: Correctional Health Medical Staff

1. Consideration of Approval of Credentialing Changes for Members of the Harris Health System Correctional Health Medical Staff – **Dr. Otis Egins**

(2 min)

C. General Item(s) Related to Community Health Choice:

1. Review and Discussion Regarding Collaboration Initiatives Between Community Health Choice and Harris Health System, Including Hospital at Home and House Calls – **Ms. Lisa Wright, CEO and Ms. Anna Mateja, CFO, Community Health Choice**

(4 min)

VIII. New Items for Board Consideration**Dr. Andrea Caracostis 25 min**

- A.** Consideration of Approval of the Appointment of Ms. Carol Paret as Chair, and Ms. Afsheen Davis as a Member of the Board of Trustees Compliance & Audit Committee

Dr. Andrea Caracostis (5 min)

- B.** Consideration of Approval of Construction Manager at Risk for the Construction of the Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital Replacement Project for Harris Health System – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office and Mr. Patrick Casey**

(5 min)

- C.** Consideration of Approval of Construction Manager at Risk for the Construction of Central Utility Plant at Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital for Harris Health System – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office and Mr. Patrick Casey**

(5 min)

- D.** Consideration of Approval of Award for Parking Garage Demolition and Sitework at Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital for Harris Health System – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office and Mr. Patrick Casey**

(5 min)

- E.** Consideration of Approval of Award for Construction of New Parking Garage at Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital for Harris Health System – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office and Mr. Patrick Casey**

(5 min)

IX. Strategic Discussion**Dr. Andrea Caracostis 40 min****A. Harris Health System Strategic Plan Initiatives**

1. Presentation Regarding Update on Strategic Facilities Plan and Debt Issuance – **Ms. Paige Abernathy, Harris County Attorney's Office and Ms. Victoria Nikitin**
[Strategic Pillar 5: Infrastructure Optimization] (15 min)
2. Consideration of Approval of Revisions to the Harris County Purchasing Manual – **Ms. Sara Thomas, Ms. Holly Gummert and Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office**
[Strategic Pillar 3: One Harris Health System] (10 min)

B. February Board Committee Meeting Reports: (15 min)

- Quality Committee – **Ms. Carol Paret**
- Budget & Finance Committee – **Ms. Carol Paret**
- Compliance & Audit Committee – **Ms. Carol Paret**
- DEI Committee – **Ms. Marcia Johnson**

X. Consent Agenda Items**Dr. Andrea Caracostis 5 min****A. Consent Purchasing Recommendations**

1. Consideration of Approval of Purchasing Recommendations (Items A1 through A56) – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf and Mr. Jack Adger, Harris County Purchasing Office**
(See Attached Expenditure Summary: February 29, 2024)

B. Consent Committee Recommendations

1. Consideration of Approval of the 2024 Quality Committee Reporting Schedule – **Dr. Steven Brass**
[Quality Committee]
2. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System First Quarter Fiscal Year 2024 Investment Report – **Ms. Victoria Nikitin**
[Budget & Finance Committee]
3. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System Fourth Quarter Fiscal Year 2023 Pension Plan Report – **Ms. Victoria Nikitin**
[Budget & Finance Committee]
4. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System December 2023 Quarterly Financial Report Subject to Audit – **Ms. Victoria Nikitin**
[Budget & Finance Committee]
5. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris County Hospital District Pension Plan Investment Practices and Performance Evaluation as of the Year Ended December 31, 2023 as Required by the Texas Pension Review Board – **Mr. Cory Myers, Aon**
[Budget & Finance Committee]

6. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements for the Year Ended September 30, 2023 – **Mr. Chris Clark, Forvis**
[Compliance & Audit Committee]

7. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System Single Audit Report of Federal and State Award Programs for the Year Ended September 30, 2023 – **Mr. Chris Clark, Forvis**
[Compliance & Audit Committee]

C. Consent Grant Recommendations

1. Consideration of Approval of Grant Recommendation (Items C1-C6)
– **Mr. Jeffrey Baker, Mr. Omar Reid, Ms. Maureen Padilla, and Ms. Maria Cowles**

(See Attached Expenditure Summary: February 29, 2024)

D. New Consent Items for Board Approval

1. Consideration of Approval of Agreement between Harris Health and Baylor College of Medicine at Houston for Parking at Harris Health Smith Clinic – **Mr. Louis Smith and Mr. Christopher Okezie**

2. Consideration of Approval to Authorize the Senior Vice President, Facilities Construction & Systems Engineering, to Sign Permit, Easement and Construction-related Administrative Applications, Forms and Ancillary Documents, as Required by the Appropriate Authorities Having Jurisdiction – **Mr. Louis Smith and Mr. Patrick Casey**

3. Consideration of Approval of an Interlocal Agreement Between the Harris County Hospital District d/b/a Harris Health System and Harris County Public Health Department for Delivery of Evidence-based Diabetes Prevention Program
– **Dr. Esperanza Galvan and Dr. Chethan Bachireddy**

E. Consent Reports and Updates to the Board

1. Updates Regarding Pending State and Federal Legislative and Policy Issues Impacting Harris Health System – **Mr. R. King Hillier**

2. Harris Health System Council-At-Large January 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes
– **Dr. Jennifer Small**

{End of Consent Agenda}

XI. Item(s) Related to the Health Care for the Homeless Program

Dr. Andrea Caracostis 15 min

A. Review and Acceptance of the Following Reports for the Health Care for the Homeless Program (HCHP) as Required by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, which Provides Funding to the Harris County Hospital District d/b/a/Harris Health System to Provide Health Services to Persons Experiencing Homelessness under Section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act – **Dr. Jennifer Small, Ms. Tracey Burdine and Dr. LaResa Ridge**

(12 min)

- HCHP February 2024 Operational Update

- B. Consideration of Approval of the HCHP Change in Scope (1 min)
– *Dr. Jennifer Small, Ms. Tracey Burdine and Dr. LaResa Ridge*
- C. Consideration of Approval of the HCHP 2024 Sliding Fee Scale (1 min)
– *Dr. Jennifer Small, Ms. Tracey Burdine and Dr. LaResa Ridge*
- D. Consideration of Approval of the HCHP 4th Quarter Budget Summary Report (1 min)
– *Dr. Jennifer Small, Ms. Tracey Burdine and Dr. LaResa Ridge*

XII. Executive Session**Dr. Andrea Caracostis 15 min**

- D. Consideration of Approval of the Community Health Choice Texas, Inc. and Community Health Choice, Inc. 2024 Insurance Renewals, Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §551.085, Including Possible Action Upon Return to Open Session – *Ms. Lisa Wright, CEO and Ms. Anna Mateja, CFO, Community Health Choice*
[Budget & Finance Committee] (5 min)
- E. Report by the Executive Vice President, Chief Compliance and Risk Officer, Regarding Compliance with Medicare, Medicaid, HIPAA and Other Federal and State Health Care Program Requirements, Including Status of Fraud and Abuse Investigations, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032 (10 min)
– *Ms.Carolynn Jones*

XIII. Reconvene**Dr. Andrea Caracostis 1 min****XIV. Adjournment****Dr. Andrea Caracostis 1 min**